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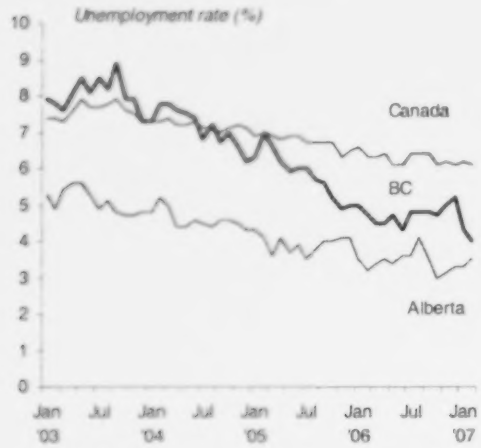
BC's unemployment rate falls to new low in March



British Columbia's unemployment rate fell to a new low[1] of 3.9% in March, as job growth (+0.6%) continued to outpace the increase in the number of people who were either working or looking for work (+0.4%). BC's net gain of 12,500 jobs in March was second only to that in Quebec, where an additional 29,200 people (+0.8%) found work last month. Although Alberta (3.6%) continued to have the lowest jobless rate in the country, its unemployment rate is starting to creep up.

Goods industries rebound; job growth stalls in service sector

Job growth in the province's goods industries resumed in March, bouncing back (+1.9%) after slumping (-1.9%) in the previous month. The growth was concentrated in just two industries: construction (+2.4%) and manufacturing, which posted a substantial 5.3% increase. Other goods industries did not fare as well. Employment in utilities shrank (-11.8%) and there were also fewer people working in forestry, fishing & mining (-6.4%) and agriculture (-6.2%).

Employment gains in the service sector were modest (+0.2%), as five industries, including retail & wholesale trade (-1.1%) and transportation & warehousing (-4.3) pared down their workforce. At the same time, finance, insurance & real estate took on more workers (+6.6%), and a significant increase was also seen in information, culture & recreation services (+6.3%). Health care (+2.2%), education (+1.9%) and public administration (+0.9%) also expanded their work force.

Despite the strong job growth in goods industries, which remain largely male-dominated, the number of employed men in the province edged down marginally (-0.2%) in March. This likely reflects job losses in primary industries such as forestry and agriculture, together with some key service sector industries such as transportation and warehousing where many of the workers are men.

The number of women with jobs advanced 1.4%. Women make up a sizeable share of total employment in some of the industries (such as financial services, health and education) that posted big gains last month.

Public sector employment advanced 1.1%, while the number of people working in the private sector rose 0.3%. Self-employment was

[1] Since 1976, the first year for which comparable labour force statistics are available.

up 0.8% in March. Part-time workers made big gains (+3.5%), but there were fewer people with full-time jobs (-0.2%).

The youth (aged 15 to 24) unemployment rate dropped to 7.3%, the second-lowest level in more than 30 years (the rate had reached 6.7% in November 2005). For more experienced workers (aged 25 and over), the jobless rate was a very low 3.2%.

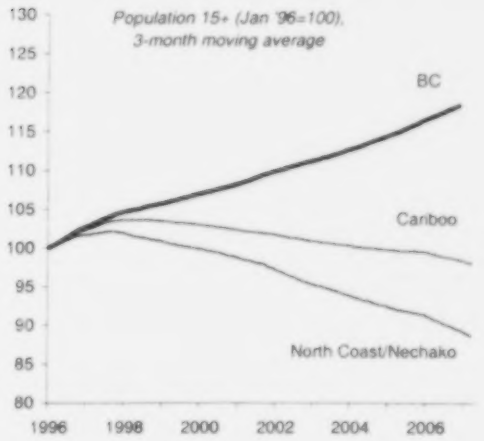
Jobless rates improve in most regions, but for different reasons

Jobless rates in most regions of the province were below March 2006 levels. Northeast (3.2%[2], *3-month moving average, unadjusted*) and Mainland/Southwest (3.8%) had the lowest jobless rates. The incidence of unemployment in most other parts of the province was between five and six percent. North Coast/Nechako was the only region that stood out from the rest of the province, with a substantially higher unemployment rate of 8.3%.

Both Cariboo and North Coast/Nechako continue to see employment decline. However, there has been an even bigger drop in the size of the labour force as people migrate to other parts of the province or the rest of Canada. As a result, jobless rates in both regions have been improving. In the rest of the province, falling unemployment rates reflect job growth that has been outpacing an expanding labour force.

[2] BC Stats estimate based on data supplied by Statistics Canada

The working age population in North Coast/Nechako and Cariboo is shrinking



Victoria's unemployment rate edged up 0.2 percentage points to 3.1%, while the unemployment rate in Vancouver dropped from 4.1% to 3.7% between February and March.

The Nation

Canada's unemployment rate was unchanged at 6.1% in March as employment (+0.3%) and the labour force (+0.4%) grew at similar rates. BC, Saskatchewan and Quebec were the only provinces to see an improvement in the jobless rate last month.

Selected Statistics	Mar-07	Feb-07	Mar-06
BC Unemployment Rate (%)	3.9	4.0	4.5
Canadian Unemployment Rate (%)	6.1	6.1	6.3
BC Employment ('000)	2,265	2,253	2,187
BC Labour Force Participation Rate (%)	66.4	66.2	65.6
March % change in employment relative to:	-	0.6	3.6
March % change in labour force relative to:	-	0.4	3.0

1 Summary for March 2007--Actual and Seasonally Adjusted

	Current March 2007		Previous Month February 2007		One Year Ago March 2006		Change from February 2007		Change from March 2006	
	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.
British Columbia										
Working Age Population ('000)	3551.7		3547.4		3492.4		0.1%		1.7%	
Labour Force ('000)	2336.3	2357.3	2324.3	2347.4	2267.9	2289.5	0.5%	0.4%	3.0%	3.0%
Employment ('000)	2245.8	2265.4	2221.2	2252.9	2164.9	2187.1	1.1%	0.6%	3.7%	3.6%
Unemployment ('000)	90.5	91.9	103.1	94.6	102.9	102.4	-12.2%	-2.9%	-12.1%	-10.3%
Employment Rate[1]	63.2%	63.8%	62.6%	63.5%	62.0%	62.6%				
Unemployment Rate	3.9%	3.9%	4.4%	4.0%	4.5%	4.5%				
Participation Rate	65.8%	66.4%	65.5%	66.2%	64.9%	65.6%				
Canada										
Working Age Population ('000)	26,441.5		26,415.0		26,071.0		0.1%		1.4%	
Labour Force ('000)	17,663.0	17,892.8	17,574.8	17,827.5	17,270.2	17,514.8	0.5%	0.4%	2.3%	2.2%
Employment ('000)	16,512.5	16,798.4	16,439.5	16,743.5	16,106.7	16,403.5	0.4%	0.3%	2.5%	2.4%
Unemployment ('000)	1,150.5	1,094.4	1,135.3	1,084.0	1,163.4	1,111.3	1.3%	1.0%	-1.1%	-1.5%
Employment Rate[1]	62.4%	63.5%	62.2%	63.4%	61.8%	62.9%				
Unemployment Rate	6.5%	6.1%	6.5%	6.1%	6.7%	6.3%				
Participation Rate	66.8%	67.7%	66.5%	67.5%	66.2%	67.2%				

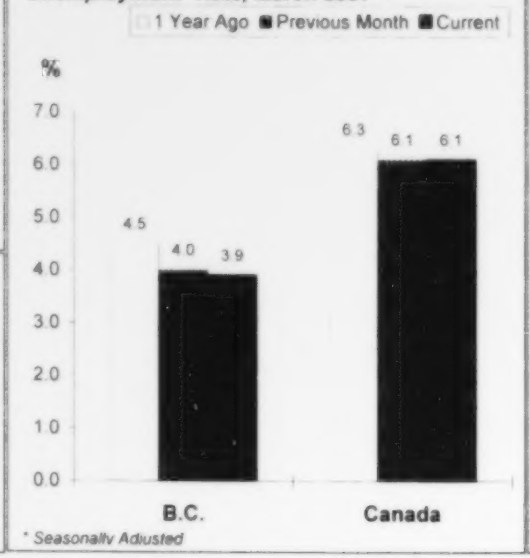
BC Unemployment Rate*:

*Seasonally adjusted

BC Employment[1] Rate*:

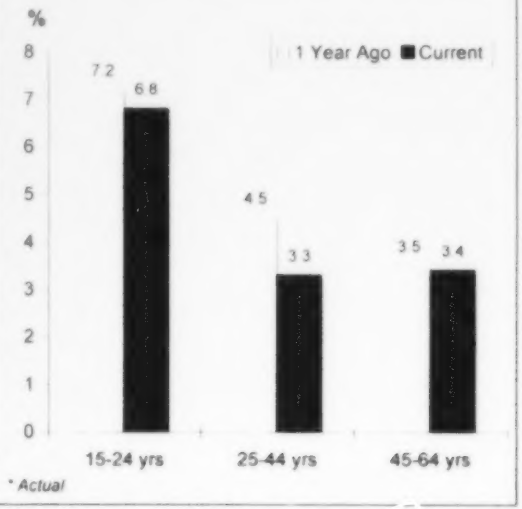
*Seasonally adjusted

Unemployment* Rate, March 2007



* Seasonally Adjusted

BC Unemployment* Rates by Age, March 2007



* Actual

[1] Employment rate is calculated as employment as a percent of the working age population.

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Source: Statistics Canada

2 BC Monthly Labour Force Data

Actual

	Labour Force ('000)	% Chg	Employed ('000)	% Chg	Unemployed ('000)	% Chg	Unemployment Rate (%)	Participation Rate (%)
1997	2,030.6		1,860.5		170.1		8.4	65.5
1998	2,038.3	0.4	1,858.4	-0.1	179.9	5.8	8.8	64.9
1999	2,064.8	1.3	1,894.4	1.9	170.4	-5.3	8.3	65.1
2000	2,079.9	0.7	1,931.3	1.9	148.6	-12.8	7.1	64.8
2001	2,082.6	0.1	1,921.6	-0.5	161.1	8.4	7.7	64.0
2002	2,147.6	3.1	1,965.0	2.3	182.6	13.3	8.5	65.1
2003	2,190.7	2.0	2,014.7	2.5	176.0	-3.6	8.0	65.6
2004	2,221.9	1.4	2,062.7	2.4	159.2	-9.5	7.2	65.5
2005	2,263.4	1.9	2,130.5	3.3	132.9	-16.5	5.9	65.6
2006	2,305.1	1.8	2,195.5	3.1	109.6	-17.5	4.8	65.7
	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*		
2006 Jan	2,252.5	1.6	2,122.5	3.1	130.0	-18.1	5.8	64.7
Feb	2,260.2	0.8	2,141.7	3.5	118.5	-30.9	5.2	64.8
Mar	2,267.9	1.7	2,164.9	4.1	102.9	-30.9	4.5	64.9
Apr	2,273.0	1.9	2,169.1	3.7	104.0	-25.0	4.6	65.0
May	2,315.6	1.8	2,202.6	3.0	113.1	-17.2	4.9	66.1
Jun	2,317.1	1.4	2,226.3	3.1	90.9	-27.6	3.9	66.0
Jul	2,347.5	1.8	2,228.2	3.1	119.3	-18.1	5.1	66.8
Aug	2,349.5	1.6	2,222.3	2.6	127.2	-13.1	5.4	66.8
Sep	2,311.9	2.3	2,211.0	3.2	100.9	-13.2	4.4	65.6
Oct	2,325.0	2.7	2,228.1	3.1	96.9	-6.8	4.2	65.9
Nov	2,314.9	1.9	2,209.1	1.9	105.8	2.5	4.6	65.5
Dec	2,325.6	2.6	2,219.6	2.4	106.0	7.1	4.6	65.7
2007 Jan	2,325.4	3.2	2,213.4	4.3	112.0	-13.8	4.8	65.6
Feb	2,324.3	2.8	2,221.2	3.7	103.1	-13.0	4.4	65.5
Mar	2,336.3	3.0	2,245.8	3.7	90.5	-12.1	3.9	65.8
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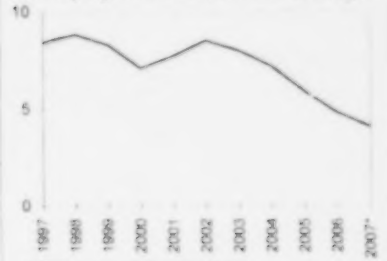
Average:								
Jan-Mar06	2,260.2		2,143.0		117.1		5.2	64.8
Jan-Mar07	2,328.7		2,226.8		101.9		4.4	65.6
% Change	3.0		3.9		-13.0			

% Change in Employment, Annual Avg

*YTD, seasonally adjusted

Unemployment Rate, Annual Average



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Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force ('000)	% Chg*	Employed ('000)	% Chg*	Unemployed ('000)	% Chg*	Unemployment Rate (%)	Participation Rate (%)
2006 Jan	2,282.7		2,169.0		113.7		5.0	65.5
Feb	2,283.1	0.0	2,176.3	0.3	106.8	-6.1	4.7	65.5
Mar	2,289.5	0.3	2,187.1	0.5	102.4	-4.1	4.5	65.6
Apr	2,294.9	0.2	2,191.1	0.2	103.8	1.4	4.5	65.6
May	2,301.1	0.3	2,192.1	0.0	109.1	5.1	4.7	65.7
Jun	2,290.4	-0.5	2,190.9	-0.1	99.5	-8.8	4.3	65.3
Jul	2,305.6	0.7	2,195.6	0.2	110.0	10.6	4.8	65.6
Aug	2,307.7	0.1	2,196.5	0.0	111.3	1.2	4.8	65.6
Sep	2,314.9	0.3	2,202.7	0.3	112.2	0.8	4.8	65.7
Oct	2,325.1	0.4	2,215.2	0.6	109.9	-2.0	4.7	65.9
Nov	2,326.0	0.0	2,210.4	-0.2	115.6	5.2	5.0	65.8
Dec	2,340.7	0.6	2,218.5	0.4	122.2	5.7	5.2	66.2
2007 Jan	2,352.0	0.5	2,250.2	1.4	101.8	-16.7	4.3	66.4
Feb	2,347.4	-0.2	2,252.9	0.1	94.6	-7.1	4.0	66.2
Mar	2,357.3	0.4	2,265.4	0.6	91.9	-2.9	3.9	66.4
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Average:								
Jan-Mar06	2,285.1		2,177.5		107.6		4.7	65.5
Jan-Mar07	2,352.2		2,256.2		96.1		4.1	66.3
% Change	2.9		3.6		-10.7			

* Per cent changes for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, per cent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

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Source: Statistics Canada

3a Employment ('000) by Province

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1997	1,860.5	1,451.4	466.2	525.6	5,291.4	3,172.8	309.1	382.0	58.8	188.3	13,706.0
1998	1,858.4	1,509.9	470.5	534.2	5,453.3	3,257.5	315.2	395.3	59.6	192.4	14,046.2
1999	1,894.4	1,544.0	471.6	541.4	5,636.7	3,328.1	325.5	404.0	60.2	201.0	14,406.7
2000	1,931.3	1,584.0	473.5	552.3	5,817.1	3,402.8	331.2	411.4	62.7	198.0	14,764.2
2001	1,921.6	1,630.9	460.3	554.3	5,926.2	3,440.2	330.1	415.2	63.6	203.8	14,946.2
2002	1,965.0	1,670.8	468.3	567.2	6,031.4	3,569.9	343.1	422.9	64.7	207.2	15,310.4
2003	2,014.7	1,716.7	476.1	570.3	6,213.2	3,628.8	343.1	431.2	66.1	212.3	15,672.3
2004	2,062.7	1,757.5	479.7	576.6	6,316.5	3,680.5	350.1	442.2	66.9	214.3	15,947.0
2005	2,130.5	1,784.4	483.5	580.3	6,397.7	3,717.3	350.5	443.1	68.2	214.1	16,169.7
2006	2,195.5	1,870.7	491.6	587.0	6,492.7	3,765.4	355.4	441.8	68.6	215.7	16,484.3

Employment Change('000), March 2007* — *Line represents Canada at 54.9*

* Current month over previous month (seasd).

Seasonally Adjusted

		BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2006	Jan	2,122.5	1,780.2	470.8	574.1	6,337.6	3,639.1	342.9	425.0	63.0	193.9	15,949.1
	Feb	2,141.7	1,812.8	471.9	577.6	6,340.6	3,667.5	342.4	423.7	63.6	199.9	16,041.7
	Mar	2,164.9	1,824.4	474.4	574.2	6,359.6	3,675.3	343.4	428.7	63.2	198.5	16,106.7
	Apr	2,169.1	1,821.5	480.0	582.1	6,419.6	3,674.4	345.4	436.4	64.8	202.6	16,195.9
	May	2,202.6	1,899.2	496.1	596.5	6,582.9	3,789.4	365.0	451.8	72.7	220.0	16,676.0
	Jun	2,226.3	1,908.8	503.4	599.1	6,624.9	3,860.0	373.6	453.5	74.3	230.8	16,854.5
	Jul	2,228.2	1,897.8	504.8	593.2	6,608.5	3,887.6	373.0	453.0	73.5	237.1	16,856.8
	Aug	2,222.3	1,906.2	501.5	595.1	6,598.2	3,843.5	366.8	453.6	74.5	230.3	16,792.0
	Sep	2,211.0	1,886.2	499.1	590.1	6,472.7	3,809.8	357.1	443.4	71.2	225.3	16,565.9
	Oct	2,228.1	1,901.7	501.7	590.1	6,505.2	3,805.4	355.5	445.2	69.2	221.4	16,623.4
	Nov	2,209.1	1,909.7	497.9	586.5	6,518.8	3,776.0	350.7	443.2	67.4	216.1	16,575.5
	Dec	2,219.6	1,899.5	497.3	585.4	6,543.9	3,757.5	349.0	444.5	66.0	211.9	16,574.5
2007	Jan	2,213.4	1,901.9	493.4	579.8	6,437.2	3,701.1	342.4	432.4	64.8	198.6	16,364.9
	Feb	2,221.2	1,916.7	492.5	582.6	6,460.0	3,720.3	344.7	433.6	64.8	203.0	16,439.5
	Mar	2,245.8	1,921.3	494.7	585.8	6,463.8	3,753.5	345.2	433.2	65.4	203.6	16,512.5
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Average:												
Jan-Mar06		2,143.0	1,805.8	472.4	575.3	6,345.9	3,660.6	342.9	425.8	63.3	197.4	16,032.5
Jan-Mar07		2,226.8	1,913.3	493.5	582.7	6,453.7	3,725.0	344.1	433.1	65.0	201.7	16,439.0
% Change		3.9	6.0	4.5	1.3	1.7	1.8	0.3	1.7	2.7	2.2	2.5
		2,256.2	1,936.6	504.3	591.6	6,562.3	3,810.4	359.0	449.2	70.1	217.3	16,757.1
		3.6	5.7	4.3	1.1	1.7	1.6	0.0	1.5	2.3	2.3	2.4

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3b Employment Growth by Province (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1997	2.4	3.3	2.1	1.6	2.4	1.4	1.2	1.4	-0.2	0.4	2.1
1998	-0.1	4.0	0.9	1.6	3.1	2.7	2.0	3.5	1.4	2.2	2.5
1999	1.9	2.3	0.2	1.3	3.4	2.2	3.3	2.2	1.0	4.5	2.6
2000	1.9	2.6	0.4	2.0	3.2	2.2	1.8	1.8	4.2	-1.5	2.5
2001	-0.5	3.0	-2.8	0.4	1.9	1.1	-0.3	0.9	1.4	2.9	1.2
2002	2.3	2.4	1.7	2.3	1.8	3.8	3.9	1.9	1.7	1.7	2.4
2003	2.5	2.7	1.7	0.5	3.0	1.6	0.0	2.0	2.2	2.5	2.4
2004	2.4	2.4	0.8	1.1	1.7	1.4	2.0	2.6	1.2	0.9	1.8
2005	3.3	1.5	0.8	0.6	1.3	1.0	0.1	0.2	1.9	-0.1	1.4
2006	3.1	4.8	1.7	1.2	1.5	1.3	1.4	-0.3	0.6	0.7	1.9
2006 Jan	3.1	2.3	-0.5	1.1	1.9	1.1	3.0	-0.4	0.3	-2.7	1.7
Feb	3.5	3.7	-0.9	0.7	1.3	1.2	2.6	-0.4	0.5	1.4	1.7
Mar	4.1	3.9	-1.1	0.8	1.8	1.5	2.9	0.3	-0.8	-1.5	2.1
Apr	3.7	3.8	0.8	2.0	1.7	0.8	2.6	0.5	2.0	1.2	1.9
May	3.0	5.5	0.2	1.6	1.9	2.5	1.4	-0.6	3.0	2.5	2.5
Jun	3.1	5.2	1.1	1.6	1.8	1.7	2.6	-0.9	1.4	-0.8	2.2
Jul	3.1	4.6	1.5	0.7	1.9	1.3	1.3	-1.2	-0.5	-2.0	2.0
Aug	2.6	5.2	1.9	1.4	1.4	0.8	-0.2	-1.6	0.8	1.8	1.7
Sep	3.2	5.6	3.9	1.4	0.8	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.4	1.7	1.9
Oct	3.1	6.2	4.5	1.2	0.5	1.2	1.2	-0.4	-0.7	2.5	1.8
Nov	1.9	6.3	3.9	0.5	0.9	1.1	-0.3	0.5	0.3	1.0	1.7
Dec	2.4	5.6	4.8	0.6	1.8	1.1	-0.3	1.1	0.2	4.1	2.1
2007 Jan	4.3	6.8	4.8	1.0	1.6	1.7	-0.1	1.7	2.9	2.4	2.6
Feb	3.7	5.7	4.4	0.9	1.9	1.4	0.7	2.3	1.9	1.6	2.5
Mar	3.7	5.3	4.3	2.0	1.6	2.1	0.5	1.0	3.5	2.6	2.5
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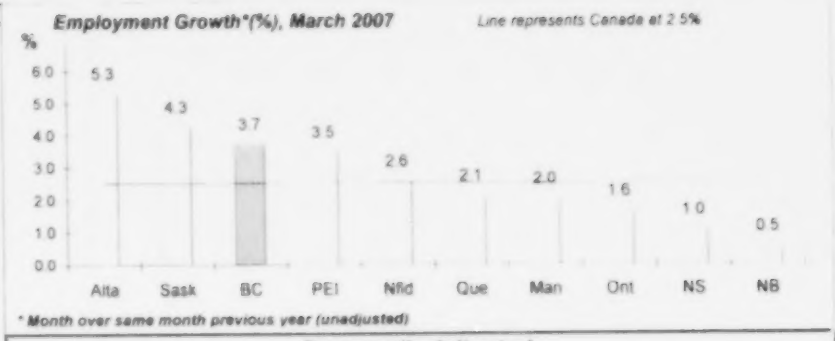

*Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2006 Jan	0.1	0.4	0.8	0.3	0.3	-0.1	1.1	0.4	0.1	-0.5	0.2
Feb	0.3	1.3	-0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	0.3	2.9	0.1
Mar	0.5	0.4	0.3	-0.6	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.3	-1.6	-1.3	0.3
Apr	0.2	0.2	0.8	0.8	0.3	-0.6	0.1	0.6	2.5	1.1	0.1
May	0.0	1.6	-0.2	0.1	0.5	0.9	-0.1	-0.6	0.1	0.7	0.6
Jun	-0.1	-0.4	0.5	0.0	-0.1	0.2	-0.5	-0.8	-1.6	-0.9	-0.1
Jul	0.2	0.0	0.4	-0.4	0.0	0.0	-0.7	-0.4	-1.2	-0.5	0.0
Aug	0.0	0.5	-0.1	0.5	-0.2	-0.1	-1.2	0.0	0.9	1.3	0.0
Sep	0.3	0.1	1.3	0.0	-0.1	0.2	-0.2	0.6	0.3	0.7	0.1
Oct	0.6	1.1	0.4	-0.1	0.0	0.2	0.9	0.4	-0.9	0.8	0.3
Nov	-0.2	0.5	0.1	-0.1	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.6	1.3	-0.1	0.1
Dec	0.4	-0.2	0.5	0.0	0.6	0.2	0.5	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	0.3
2007 Jan	1.4	1.3	0.5	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.8	0.8	2.3	-1.4	0.5
Feb	0.1	0.3	-0.4	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.7	0.4	-0.4	1.2	0.1
Mar	0.6	0.0	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.8	0.1	-0.7	0.3	-0.3	0.3

Note: growth rates for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, growth rates are calculated as month over previous month.

4a Provincial Unemployment Rates (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1997	8.4	5.9	6.0	6.5	8.4	11.4	12.7	12.2	15.4	18.4	9.1
1998	8.8	5.6	5.8	5.6	7.2	10.3	12.2	10.5	13.9	17.9	8.3
1999	8.3	5.7	6.1	5.6	6.3	9.3	10.2	9.6	14.3	16.9	7.6
2000	7.1	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.8	8.5	10.0	9.1	12.1	16.7	6.8
2001	7.7	4.6	5.8	5.1	6.3	8.8	11.1	9.7	11.9	16.1	7.2
2002	8.5	5.3	5.7	5.1	7.1	8.6	10.2	9.6	12.0	16.7	7.7
2003	8.0	5.1	5.6	5.0	6.9	9.1	10.3	9.1	11.0	16.5	7.6
2004	7.2	4.6	5.3	5.3	6.8	8.5	9.8	8.8	11.3	15.7	7.2
2005	5.9	3.9	5.1	4.8	6.6	8.3	9.7	8.4	10.8	15.2	6.8
2006	4.8	3.4	4.7	4.3	6.3	8.0	8.8	7.9	11.0	14.8	6.3
2006 Jan	5.8	4.0	5.9	4.8	6.6	9.6	9.8	9.0	14.3	18.8	7.2
Feb	5.2	3.2	5.8	4.7	6.3	8.9	10.6	9.5	14.0	16.7	6.7
Mar	4.5	3.3	5.6	4.5	6.5	9.0	10.2	9.0	15.4	17.4	6.7
Apr	4.6	3.6	5.2	4.9	6.1	8.7	10.7	8.8	14.6	18.9	6.6
May	4.9	3.4	4.4	3.6	6.1	7.6	9.0	8.0	8.8	15.9	6.1
Jun	3.9	3.2	4.1	3.0	5.8	7.2	7.1	7.4	7.0	13.1	5.6
Jul	5.1	3.8	4.6	4.8	7.2	7.8	8.6	7.9	9.4	11.9	6.7
Aug	5.4	4.5	5.8	5.3	7.1	7.8	8.8	7.8	8.4	13.8	6.8
Sep	4.4	3.2	3.9	4.1	6.3	7.3	7.3	7.1	7.8	11.8	5.9
Oct	4.2	2.9	3.3	3.7	5.8	7.0	7.2	7.2	9.2	12.8	5.6
Nov	4.6	3.2	3.5	4.3	5.9	7.9	7.8	7.1	11.4	13.3	5.9
Dec	4.6	3.2	3.9	4.0	5.4	7.5	8.2	6.8	13.6	14.1	5.7
2007 Jan	4.8	3.7	4.6	5.1	6.6	8.8	8.8	8.9	13.9	18.1	6.7
Feb	4.4	3.6	4.2	4.6	6.4	8.6	7.5	8.5	12.9	15.8	6.5
Mar	3.9	3.4	4.2	4.5	7.0	8.2	8.3	9.1	12.8	16.1	6.5
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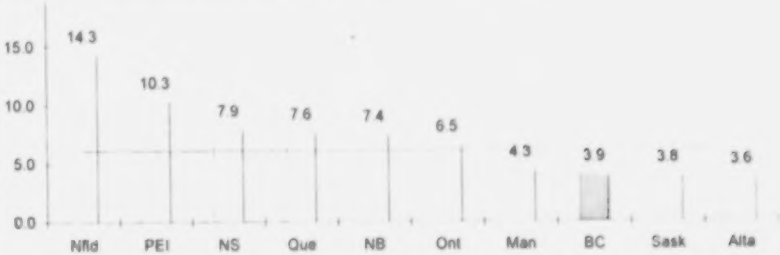
Average:											
Jan-Mar06	5.2	3.5	5.8	4.7	6.5	9.2	10.2	9.2	14.6	17.6	6.9
Jan-Mar07	4.4	3.6	4.3	4.7	6.7	8.5	8.2	8.8	13.2	16.7	6.6

Unemployment Rates*(%), March 2007

Line represents Canada at 6.1%



**Seasonally adjusted*

Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2006 Jan	5.0	3.5	5.2	4.4	6.5	8.4	8.9	7.8	10.7	16.3	6.6
Feb	4.7	3.2	5.3	4.3	6.2	8.2	9.4	8.4	10.9	15.1	6.3
Mar	4.5	3.4	5.0	4.2	6.2	8.4	9.2	7.9	12.3	15.7	6.3
Apr	4.5	3.5	4.7	4.7	6.2	8.3	9.0	8.0	10.7	15.8	6.4
May	4.7	3.4	4.8	4.1	6.0	7.9	8.6	8.0	9.9	14.6	6.1
Jun	4.3	3.6	4.9	3.6	6.0	8.0	8.1	8.2	10.8	14.6	6.1
Jul	4.8	3.6	4.6	4.7	6.5	8.1	8.9	8.2	11.3	14.4	6.4
Aug	4.8	4.1	5.3	4.4	6.4	7.9	9.0	8.3	11.0	15.0	6.4
Sep	4.8	3.5	4.2	4.4	6.6	8.0	8.8	7.8	10.7	14.1	6.4
Oct	4.7	3.0	3.9	4.2	6.3	7.7	8.1	8.1	11.1	14.2	6.1
Nov	5.0	3.1	3.9	4.6	6.4	7.9	8.5	7.4	11.2	13.6	6.2
Dec	5.2	3.3	4.0	4.1	6.1	7.5	8.5	7.3	12.4	13.8	6.1
2007 Jan	4.3	3.3	4.1	4.6	6.4	7.7	8.1	7.8	10.7	15.4	6.2
Feb	4.0	3.5	4.0	4.3	6.3	7.8	6.9	7.4	10.1	14.3	6.1
Mar	3.9	3.6	3.8	4.3	6.5	7.6	7.4	7.9	10.3	14.3	6.1
Apr											
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Average:											
Jan-Mar06	4.7	3.4	5.2	4.3	6.3	8.3	9.2	8.0	11.3	15.7	6.4
Jan-Mar07	4.1	3.5	4.0	4.4	6.4	7.7	7.5	7.7	10.4	14.7	6.1

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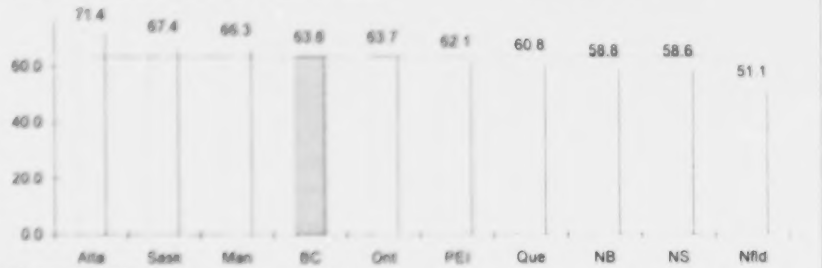
Source: Statistics Canada

4b Provincial Employment Rates (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1997	60.0	67.8	62.2	62.3	60.2	55.0	52.1	52.5	55.9	42.9	58.9
1998	59.2	68.5	62.7	63.2	61.2	56.1	53.1	54.1	56.4	44.4	59.7
1999	59.7	68.5	62.8	63.7	62.3	56.9	54.6	55.0	56.6	46.6	60.6
2000	60.2	68.6	63.3	64.5	63.2	57.8	55.4	55.7	58.7	46.1	61.3
2001	59.0	69.0	61.8	64.4	63.0	57.9	55.0	55.9	59.0	47.7	61.1
2002	59.6	69.1	63.1	65.5	62.9	59.5	57.0	56.6	59.5	48.5	61.7
2003	60.3	69.8	64.0	65.3	63.8	60.0	56.7	57.3	60.2	49.5	62.4
2004	60.9	70.1	64.3	65.4	63.8	60.2	57.6	58.4	60.3	49.8	62.7
2005	61.8	69.8	64.6	65.3	63.5	60.1	57.4	58.2	61.1	49.8	62.7
2006	62.5	70.8	65.9	65.8	63.5	60.2	58.1	57.9	61.1	50.4	63.0

Employment Rates(%), March 2007* — Line represents Canada at 63.5%



*Seasonally adjusted

Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2006 Jan	60.9	68.6	63.0	64.5	62.3	58.5	56.1	55.8	56.3	45.2	61.3
Feb	61.4	69.6	63.1	64.9	62.3	58.9	56.0	55.6	56.8	46.6	61.6
Mar	62.0	69.9	63.5	64.5	62.4	59.0	56.2	56.2	56.4	46.3	61.8
Apr	62.0	69.6	64.3	65.3	63.0	58.9	56.5	57.2	57.9	47.3	62.1
May	62.9	72.3	66.5	66.9	64.5	60.7	59.7	59.3	64.9	51.4	63.8
Jun	63.4	72.4	67.5	67.1	64.8	61.8	61.1	59.5	66.2	54.0	64.4
Jul	63.4	71.9	67.7	66.5	64.6	62.2	61.0	59.4	65.4	55.5	64.3
Aug	63.1	71.9	67.2	66.6	64.4	61.4	60.0	59.4	66.3	53.9	64.0
Sep	62.7	70.9	66.9	66.1	63.1	60.8	58.4	58.1	63.3	52.7	63.1
Oct	63.1	71.1	67.2	66.1	63.3	60.7	58.2	58.3	61.5	51.9	63.2
Nov	62.5	71.2	66.7	65.7	63.4	60.1	57.4	58.1	59.9	50.7	63.0
Dec	62.7	70.6	66.6	65.5	63.6	59.8	57.1	58.2	58.6	49.7	62.9
2007 Jan	62.5	70.4	66.1	64.8	62.5	58.9	56.0	56.6	57.4	46.6	62.0
Feb	62.6	70.7	65.9	65.1	62.7	59.1	56.3	56.8	57.4	47.7	62.2
Mar	63.2	70.7	66.1	65.4	62.6	59.6	56.4	56.7	58.0	47.8	62.4
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Average:											
Jan-Mar06	61.4	69.4	63.2	64.6	62.3	58.8	56.1	55.9	56.5	46.0	61.6
Jan-Mar07	62.8	70.6	66.0	65.1	62.6	59.2	56.2	56.7	57.6	47.4	62.2

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2006 Jan	62.3	69.9	64.6	65.8	63.5	60.2	58.8	58.1	61.4	48.8	62.8
Feb	62.4	70.6	64.6	65.9	63.2	60.2	58.7	57.9	61.5	50.2	62.8
Mar	62.6	70.7	64.8	65.5	63.5	60.3	58.7	58.1	60.5	49.6	62.9
Apr	62.7	70.6	65.4	65.9	63.6	59.8	58.8	58.5	62.1	50.2	62.9
May	62.6	71.4	65.3	66.0	63.8	60.3	58.7	58.1	62.1	50.6	63.2
Jun	62.4	71.0	65.7	65.9	63.7	60.3	58.4	57.6	61.1	50.2	63.1
Jul	62.5	70.8	65.9	65.6	63.6	60.3	58.0	57.4	60.2	49.9	63.0
Aug	62.4	70.9	65.9	65.9	63.4	60.2	57.3	57.3	60.8	50.6	62.9
Sep	62.5	70.7	66.7	65.9	63.3	60.3	57.2	57.7	60.9	51.0	62.9
Oct	62.8	71.2	67.0	65.8	63.2	60.3	57.8	57.9	60.4	51.4	63.0
Nov	62.6	71.2	67.1	65.8	63.3	60.3	57.7	58.2	61.1	51.4	63.0
Dec	62.7	70.9	67.4	65.7	63.6	60.3	58.0	58.3	60.9	51.3	63.1
2007 Jan	63.5	71.5	67.6	66.1	63.6	60.5	58.4	58.8	62.2	50.6	63.4
Feb	63.5	71.6	67.3	66.0	63.6	60.4	58.8	59.0	62.0	51.3	63.4
Mar	63.8	71.4	67.4	66.3	63.7	60.8	58.8	58.6	62.1	51.1	63.5
Average:											
Jan-Mar06	62.4	70.4	64.7	65.7	63.4	60.2	58.7	58.0	61.1	49.5	62.8
Jan-Mar07	63.6	71.5	67.4	66.1	63.6	60.6	58.7	58.8	62.1	51.0	63.4

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Source: Statistics Canada

5a BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Annual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1997	137.5	536.4	318.4	1,007.4	27.6	47.1	20.3	96.0	133.0	461.9	249.3	853.0	20.7	36.1	16.9	74.1	270.6	998.3	567.6	1,860.5	48.6	83.1	37.2	170.1
1998	132.1	525.8	316.7	994.0	31.5	50.8	24.2	107.4	126.6	460.5	266.9	864.4	23.1	35.2	13.9	72.5	258.8	986.3	583.6	1,858.4	54.6	86.0	38.2	179.9
1999	138.2	521.0	333.8	1,011.5	26.5	48.5	22.8	98.8	134.8	461.3	278.2	882.9	19.1	35.9	16.4	71.6	273.0	982.3	611.9	1,894.4	45.6	84.4	39.2	170.4
2000	141.0	522.6	350.4	1,031.3	25.7	37.1	20.6	83.8	138.2	458.2	295.8	900.0	18.5	31.2	15.0	64.8	279.2	980.8	646.2	1,931.3	44.2	68.3	35.6	148.6
2001	140.9	509.8	354.1	1,020.1	27.1	44.5	23.0	95.6	138.2	452.8	301.3	901.4	18.0	32.1	14.9	65.5	279.1	962.5	655.4	1,921.6	45.1	76.6	37.9	161.1
2002	147.8	503.2	365.8	1,037.7	30.2	45.8	26.9	104.1	145.8	452.5	318.1	927.3	22.0	37.4	18.4	78.5	293.6	955.8	683.9	1,965.0	52.2	83.2	45.3	182.6
2003	149.3	502.2	389.7	1,065.8	28.5	39.2	27.0	95.5	149.7	454.6	333.3	948.9	21.8	36.4	21.6	80.5	299.0	956.8	723.0	2,014.7	50.3	75.6	48.5	176.0
2004	153.8	508.2	403.8	1,091.2	25.9	34.4	24.1	85.4	154.0	463.7	342.6	971.5	21.9	30.5	20.8	73.7	307.8	971.9	746.4	2,062.7	47.8	64.9	44.8	159.2
2005	166.5	513.1	424.4	1,130.5	20.3	27.1	21.4	69.8	165.7	457.3	360.8	1,000.0	17.1	26.0	19.5	63.1	332.1	970.4	785.3	2,130.5	37.4	53.1	40.9	132.9
2006	172.7	520.1	439.8	1,160.9	17.5	21.2	16.0	56.2	176.9	465.8	376.8	1,034.5	13.9	22.3	16.1	53.4	349.6	985.9	816.6	2,195.5	31.4	43.5	32.0	109.6
2006 Jan	160.3	506.2	423.3	1,113.1	17.1	30.2	19.0	68.5	165.5	467.7	361.1	1,009.4	12.2	27.1	21.2	61.5	325.8	973.9	784.5	2,122.5	29.4	57.2	40.1	130.0
Feb	166.0	510.4	427.7	1,130.3	16.9	23.7	20.4	63.5	169.8	460.2	364.5	1,011.4	11.9	26.1	16.4	55.0	335.9	970.6	792.1	2,141.7	28.8	49.9	36.8	118.5
Mar	168.8	513.4	432.6	1,143.4	14.8	22.0	15.0	53.4	169.8	461.1	372.0	1,021.5	11.3	23.4	14.0	49.5	338.6	974.5	804.5	2,164.9	26.1	45.4	29.0	102.9
Apr	170.3	512.1	432.4	1,142.2	12.1	21.3	13.7	47.8	168.8	469.7	372.8	1,026.9	17.0	23.1	15.3	56.2	339.1	981.7	805.2	2,169.1	29.1	44.4	29.0	104.0
May	176.1	522.0	434.2	1,162.0	20.4	22.5	14.9	58.7	178.2	472.4	373.9	1,040.6	16.7	23.2	14.0	54.4	354.3	994.4	808.1	2,202.6	37.1	45.7	28.9	113.1
Jun	176.5	526.0	443.1	1,173.4	17.4	16.0	13.6	47.9	189.6	468.6	378.2	1,052.9	11.3	17.7	13.4	42.9	366.1	994.5	821.3	2,226.3	28.7	33.7	27.0	90.9
Jul	191.1	523.5	442.8	1,185.8	26.6	16.8	17.0	61.0	191.3	464.1	373.4	1,042.4	19.7	21.9	15.6	58.3	382.4	987.5	816.2	2,228.2	46.4	38.8	32.7	119.3
Aug	189.7	527.1	442.0	1,187.0	18.1	22.2	17.7	59.7	190.3	461.4	371.3	1,035.3	16.4	25.5	23.4	67.5	380.0	988.4	813.3	2,222.3	34.5	47.7	41.1	127.2
Sep	163.0	535.8	448.4	1,172.3	16.1	17.6	17.4	52.4	175.3	467.5	384.1	1,038.7	13.2	17.8	16.6	48.5	338.2	1,003.3	832.6	2,211.0	29.3	35.4	34.0	100.9
Oct	169.6	529.2	448.9	1,177.1	15.2	18.1	14.6	50.0	176.5	471.9	388.9	1,051.0	13.8	17.4	14.1	46.9	346.1	1,001.2	837.8	2,228.1	29.0	35.5	28.7	96.9
Nov	169.8	520.1	449.8	1,172.2	18.9	21.1	14.5	57.5	172.7	458.9	389.9	1,036.9	10.7	23.0	11.8	48.2	342.5	978.9	839.7	2,209.1	29.7	44.1	26.3	105.8
Dec	171.8	515.0	453.0	1,172.1	16.2	22.6	14.1	54.6	174.9	466.4	391.0	1,047.4	12.4	21.7	16.8	51.4	346.7	981.4	844.0	2,219.6	28.6	44.4	31.0	106.0
2007 Jan	170.9	520.2	453.8	1,176.5	18.2	21.3	13.8	54.7	162.1	469.5	387.0	1,036.9	16.0	18.5	21.7	57.3	333.0	989.7	840.8	2,213.4	34.1	39.8	35.6	112.0
Feb	173.8	522.4	454.7	1,182.4	16.1	20.0	15.6	54.3	167.1	467.8	383.9	1,038.8	12.9	17.6	18.3	48.8	341.0	990.2	838.6	2,221.2	29.0	37.6	33.9	103.1
Mar	175.3	524.3	457.8	1,184.6	13.4	17.4	16.3	49.2	169.6	478.4	395.0	1,061.2	11.7	16.3	13.4	41.4	344.9	1,002.7	852.8	2,245.8	25.1	33.7	29.8	90.5
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Jan-Mar06	165.0	510.0	427.9	1,128.9	16.3	25.3	18.1	61.8	168.4	463.0	365.9	1,014.1	11.8	25.5	17.2	55.3	333.4	973.0	793.7	2,143.0	28.1	50.8	35.3	117.1
Jan-Mar07	173.3	522.3	455.4	1,181.2	15.9	19.6	15.2	52.7	166.3	471.9	388.6	1,045.6	13.5	17.5	17.8	49.2	339.6	994.2	844.1	2,226.8	29.4	37.0	33.1	101.9
% Change	5.0	2.4	6.4	4.6	-2.3	-22.7	-16.0	-14.7	-1.2	1.9	6.2	3.1	14.7	-31.6	3.5	-11.1	1.9	2.2	6.3	3.9	4.6	-27.1	-6.2	-13.0

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada

5b BC Participation Rates and Unemployment Rates by Age and Gender, Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1997	63.7	91.9	79.2	72.1	16.8	8.1	6.0	8.7	61.6	78.3	62.5	59.1	13.5	7.2	6.3	8.0	62.6	85.1	70.8	65.5	15.2	7.7	6.1	8.4
1998	62.3	91.5	76.9	71.1	19.3	8.8	7.1	9.8	59.5	78.1	63.5	58.9	15.4	7.1	5.0	7.7	60.9	84.8	70.2	64.9	17.4	8.0	6.1	8.8
1999	62.0	91.4	77.8	71.0	16.1	8.5	6.4	8.9	60.5	78.9	64.2	59.3	12.4	7.2	5.6	7.5	61.3	85.1	71.0	65.1	14.3	7.9	6.0	8.3
2000	61.9	90.8	78.3	70.5	15.4	6.6	5.6	7.5	60.9	78.2	65.3	59.3	11.8	6.4	4.8	6.7	61.4	84.4	71.8	64.8	13.7	6.5	5.2	7.1
2001	61.2	90.6	77.1	69.5	16.1	8.0	6.1	8.6	59.7	77.9	64.0	58.6	11.5	6.6	4.7	6.8	60.5	84.2	70.5	64.0	13.9	7.4	5.5	7.7
2002	63.8	90.6	77.6	70.3	17.0	8.3	6.9	9.1	62.9	79.4	65.6	60.1	13.1	7.6	5.5	7.8	63.4	84.9	71.5	65.1	15.1	8.0	6.2	8.5
2003	63.0	90.4	79.6	70.7	16.0	7.2	6.5	8.2	63.2	80.5	66.7	60.7	12.7	7.4	6.1	7.8	63.1	85.4	73.1	65.6	14.4	7.3	6.3	8.0
2004	62.8	91.2	79.1	70.6	14.4	6.3	5.6	7.3	63.9	81.5	65.9	60.7	12.5	6.2	5.7	7.1	63.3	86.3	72.4	65.5	13.4	6.3	5.7	7.2
2005	64.2	90.9	79.9	70.8	10.9	5.0	4.8	5.8	65.5	79.7	66.6	60.7	9.4	5.4	5.1	5.9	64.8	85.3	73.2	65.6	10.1	5.2	5.0	5.9
2006	64.6	90.6	79.1	70.4	9.2	3.9	3.5	4.6	67.7	80.2	66.6	61.0	7.3	4.6	4.1	4.9	66.1	85.4	72.8	65.7	8.2	4.2	3.8	4.8
2006 Jan	60.4	90.1	77.8	68.9	9.6	5.6	4.3	5.8	63.2	81.5	65.7	60.5	6.9	5.5	5.5	5.7	61.8	85.7	71.7	64.7	8.3	5.5	4.9	5.8
Feb	62.3	89.7	78.7	69.6	9.2	4.4	4.6	5.3	64.6	80.1	65.3	60.2	6.5	5.4	4.3	5.2	63.4	84.8	71.9	64.8	7.9	4.9	4.4	5.2
Mar	62.5	89.8	78.4	69.6	8.1	4.1	3.4	4.5	64.4	79.8	66.1	60.4	6.2	4.8	3.6	4.6	63.4	84.7	72.2	64.9	7.2	4.5	3.5	4.5
Apr	62.1	89.4	77.9	69.1	6.6	4.0	3.1	4.0	66.0	81.0	66.3	61.0	9.1	4.7	3.9	5.2	64.0	85.2	72.0	65.0	7.9	4.3	3.5	4.6
May	66.8	91.2	78.2	70.8	10.4	4.1	3.3	4.8	69.2	81.5	66.0	61.5	8.6	4.7	3.6	5.0	68.0	86.3	72.1	66.1	9.5	4.4	3.5	4.9
Jun	65.9	90.7	79.4	70.7	9.0	3.0	3.0	3.9	71.3	79.9	66.5	61.5	5.6	3.6	3.4	3.9	68.5	85.2	72.9	66.0	7.3	3.3	3.2	3.9
Jul	73.9	90.4	79.7	72.1	12.2	3.1	3.7	4.9	74.8	79.8	65.9	61.7	9.3	4.5	4.0	5.3	74.4	85.1	72.7	66.8	10.8	3.8	3.9	5.1
Aug	70.5	91.9	79.4	72.0	8.7	4.0	3.9	4.8	73.3	80.0	66.7	61.7	7.9	5.2	5.9	6.1	71.9	85.9	73.0	66.8	8.3	4.6	4.8	5.4
Sep	60.8	92.6	80.3	70.6	9.0	3.2	3.7	4.3	66.7	79.7	67.5	60.8	7.0	3.7	4.1	4.5	63.7	86.1	73.9	65.6	8.0	3.4	3.9	4.4
Oct	62.7	91.5	79.7	70.6	8.2	3.3	3.1	4.1	67.4	80.3	67.7	61.3	7.3	3.6	3.5	4.3	65.0	85.9	73.7	65.9	7.7	3.4	3.3	4.2
Nov	64.0	90.4	79.7	70.7	10.0	3.9	3.1	4.7	64.9	79.1	67.4	60.5	5.8	4.8	2.9	4.4	64.5	84.7	73.4	65.5	8.0	4.3	3.0	4.6
Dec	63.8	89.7	80.0	70.4	8.6	4.2	3.0	4.5	66.3	80.1	68.2	61.2	6.6	4.4	4.1	4.7	65.0	84.9	74.0	65.7	7.6	4.3	3.5	4.6
2007 Jan	64.1	90.4	79.8	70.6	9.6	3.9	3.0	4.4	63.0	80.1	68.2	60.8	9.0	3.8	5.3	5.2	63.6	85.2	73.9	65.6	9.3	3.9	4.1	4.8
Feb	64.4	90.5	80.1	70.8	8.5	3.7	3.3	4.4	63.7	79.6	66.9	60.4	7.2	3.6	4.5	4.5	64.0	85.0	73.4	65.5	7.8	3.7	3.9	4.4
Mar	64.0	90.3	80.6	70.5	7.1	3.2	3.4	4.0	64.1	81.1	67.8	61.2	6.5	3.3	3.3	3.8	64.0	85.7	74.1	65.8	6.8	3.3	3.4	3.9
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Jan-Mar06	61.7	89.9	78.3	69.4	9.0	4.7	4.1	5.2	64.1	80.5	65.7	60.4	6.5	5.2	4.5	5.2	62.9	85.1	71.9	64.8	7.8	5.0	4.3	5.2
Jan-Mar07	64.2	90.4	80.2	70.6	8.4	3.6	3.2	4.3	63.6	80.3	67.6	60.8	7.6	3.6	4.4	4.5	63.9	85.3	73.8	65.6	8.0	3.6	3.8	4.4

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

5c BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men						Women						Total					
	Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1997	137.5	869.9	1,007.4	27.8	68.2	96.0	133.0	720.0	853.0	20.7	53.3	74.1	270.6	1,589.9	1,860.5	48.6	121.5	170.1
1998	132.1	861.9	994.0	31.5	76.0	107.4	126.6	737.8	864.4	23.1	49.4	72.5	258.8	1,599.6	1,858.4	54.6	125.3	179.9
1999	138.2	873.3	1,011.5	26.5	72.3	98.8	134.8	748.1	882.9	19.1	52.5	71.6	273.0	1,621.4	1,894.4	45.6	124.9	170.4
2000	141.0	890.3	1,031.3	25.7	58.1	83.8	138.2	761.7	900.0	18.5	46.3	64.8	279.2	1,652.1	1,931.3	44.2	104.4	148.6
2001	140.9	879.2	1,020.1	27.1	68.5	95.6	138.2	763.3	901.4	18.0	47.5	65.5	279.1	1,642.5	1,921.6	45.1	116.0	161.1
2002	147.8	889.9	1,037.7	30.2	74.0	104.1	145.8	781.5	927.3	22.0	56.5	78.5	293.6	1,671.4	1,965.0	52.2	130.4	182.6
2003	149.3	916.5	1,065.8	28.5	67.1	95.5	149.7	799.2	948.9	21.8	58.7	80.5	299.0	1,715.7	2,014.7	50.3	125.7	176.0
2004	153.8	937.4	1,091.2	25.9	59.5	85.4	154.0	817.5	971.5	21.9	51.8	73.7	307.8	1,754.9	2,062.7	47.8	111.3	159.2
2005	166.5	964.0	1,130.5	20.3	49.5	69.8	165.7	834.4	1,000.0	17.1	46.0	63.1	332.1	1,798.4	2,130.5	37.4	95.5	132.9
2006	172.7	988.2	1,160.9	17.5	38.8	56.2	176.9	857.6	1,034.5	13.9	39.5	53.4	349.6	1,845.8	2,195.5	31.4	78.2	109.6
2006 Jan	174.1	972.2	1,146.3	15.6	41.5	57.1	172.9	849.8	1,022.7	12.9	43.7	56.6	347.0	1,822.0	2,169.0	28.5	85.2	113.7
Feb	176.3	977.7	1,154.0	15.8	37.8	53.6	175.2	847.1	1,022.3	13.1	40.1	53.2	351.5	1,824.8	2,176.3	28.9	77.8	106.8
Mar	176.9	983.2	1,160.1	15.4	34.7	50.1	176.0	851.0	1,027.0	13.7	38.6	52.4	352.9	1,834.2	2,187.1	29.1	73.3	102.4
Apr	177.7	981.3	1,159.0	13.3	33.8	47.1	177.1	855.0	1,032.1	16.4	40.3	56.7	354.8	1,836.3	2,191.1	29.7	74.1	103.8
May	174.4	982.0	1,156.3	17.8	39.0	56.8	175.0	860.7	1,035.7	13.7	38.5	52.3	349.4	1,842.7	2,192.1	31.5	77.6	109.1
Jun	168.3	985.1	1,153.4	17.9	34.7	52.6	180.7	856.7	1,037.5	11.6	35.3	46.9	349.1	1,841.8	2,190.9	29.5	70.0	99.5
Jul	171.2	986.7	1,158.0	19.4	38.9	58.3	177.9	859.7	1,037.6	13.4	38.3	51.7	349.2	1,846.4	2,195.6	32.8	77.2	110.0
Aug	171.5	990.1	1,161.6	17.1	40.9	58.0	178.1	856.8	1,034.9	13.7	39.6	53.2	349.6	1,846.9	2,196.5	30.8	80.5	111.3
Sep	168.3	995.7	1,164.0	17.7	43.7	61.4	180.0	858.7	1,038.7	13.5	37.3	50.8	348.3	1,854.4	2,202.7	31.2	81.0	112.2
Oct	170.8	998.8	1,169.5	17.9	41.2	59.1	179.2	866.5	1,045.7	14.5	36.3	50.8	350.0	1,865.2	2,215.2	32.4	77.4	109.9
Nov	171.6	1,000.5	1,172.1	22.1	40.1	62.2	174.7	863.6	1,038.3	13.9	39.6	53.5	346.3	1,864.1	2,210.4	36.0	79.7	115.6
Dec	172.1	1,004.4	1,176.5	20.7	38.6	59.2	175.5	866.5	1,042.0	16.3	46.6	62.9	347.6	1,870.9	2,218.5	37.0	85.2	122.2
2007 Jan	183.5	1,018.7	1,202.2	17.4	29.8	47.2	170.7	877.3	1,048.0	16.4	38.2	54.5	354.2	1,896.0	2,250.2	33.8	68.0	101.8
Feb	182.8	1,020.8	1,203.6	15.8	29.9	45.7	172.7	876.6	1,049.3	14.3	34.6	48.9	355.5	1,897.4	2,252.9	30.1	64.5	94.6
Mar	184.1	1,017.4	1,201.5	14.4	32.2	46.6	175.2	888.7	1,064.0	14.0	31.2	45.2	359.3	1,906.1	2,265.4	28.4	63.4	91.9
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Jan-Mar06	175.8	977.7	1,153.5	15.6	38.0	53.6	174.7	849.3	1,024.0	13.2	40.8	54.1	350.5	1,827.0	2,177.5	28.8	78.8	107.6
Jan-Mar07	183.5	1,019.0	1,202.4	15.9	30.6	46.5	172.9	880.9	1,053.8	14.9	34.7	49.5	356.3	1,899.8	2,256.2	30.8	65.3	96.1
% Change	4.4	4.2	4.2	1.7	-19.4	-13.2	-1.0	3.7	2.9	12.6	-15.0	-8.4	1.7	4.0	3.6	6.7	-17.1	-10.7

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada

5d BC Participation, Unemployment and Employment Rates by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men									Women									Total								
	Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1997	63.7	73.9	72.1	16.8	7.3	8.7	52.9	68.5	65.8	61.6	58.6	59.1	13.5	6.9	8.0	53.3	54.6	54.4	62.6	66.1	65.5	15.2	7.1	8.4	53.1	61.4	60.0
1998	62.3	72.9	71.1	19.3	8.1	9.8	50.3	67.0	64.2	59.5	58.8	58.9	15.4	6.3	7.7	50.3	55.1	54.4	60.9	65.7	64.9	17.4	7.3	8.8	50.3	60.9	59.2
1999	62.0	72.8	71.0	16.1	7.6	8.9	52.0	67.2	64.6	60.5	59.1	59.3	12.4	6.6	7.5	53.0	55.2	54.9	61.3	65.8	65.1	14.3	7.2	8.3	52.5	61.1	59.7
2000	61.9	72.2	70.5	15.4	6.1	7.5	52.3	67.8	65.2	60.9	58.9	59.3	11.8	5.7	6.7	53.7	55.6	55.3	61.4	65.4	64.8	13.7	5.9	7.1	53.0	61.6	60.2
2001	61.2	71.3	69.5	16.1	7.2	8.6	51.3	66.1	63.6	59.7	58.3	58.6	11.5	5.9	6.8	52.8	54.9	54.6	60.5	64.7	64.0	13.9	6.6	7.7	52.1	60.4	59.0
2002	63.8	71.6	70.3	17.0	7.7	9.1	53.0	66.1	63.9	62.9	59.5	60.1	13.1	6.7	7.8	54.7	55.5	55.4	63.4	65.4	65.1	15.1	7.2	8.5	53.8	60.7	59.6
2003	63.0	72.2	70.7	16.0	6.8	8.2	52.9	67.3	64.8	63.2	60.2	60.7	12.7	6.8	7.8	55.2	56.1	55.9	63.1	66.1	65.6	14.4	6.8	8.0	54.0	61.6	60.3
2004	62.8	72.2	70.6	14.4	6.0	7.3	53.7	67.9	65.5	63.9	60.0	60.7	12.5	6.0	7.1	56.0	56.5	56.4	63.3	66.0	65.5	13.4	6.0	7.2	54.8	62.0	60.9
2005	64.2	72.1	70.8	10.9	4.9	5.8	57.2	68.6	66.7	65.5	59.8	60.7	9.4	5.2	5.9	59.4	56.6	57.1	64.8	65.8	65.6	10.1	5.0	5.9	58.2	62.5	61.8
2006	64.6	71.6	70.4	9.2	3.8	4.6	58.7	68.9	67.2	67.7	59.8	61.0	7.3	4.4	4.9	62.8	57.1	58.0	66.1	65.6	65.7	8.2	4.1	4.8	60.7	62.9	62.5
2006 Jan	64.6	71.4	70.2	8.2	4.1	4.7	59.3	68.4	66.9	66.1	60.0	61.0	6.9	4.9	5.2	61.5	57.1	57.8	65.3	65.6	65.5	7.6	4.5	5.0	60.4	62.6	62.3
Feb	65.4	71.4	70.4	8.2	3.7	4.4	60.0	68.7	67.2	66.9	59.5	60.7	7.0	4.5	4.9	62.3	56.8	57.7	66.1	65.3	65.5	7.6	4.1	4.7	61.1	62.6	62.4
Mar	65.5	71.4	70.4	8.0	3.4	4.1	60.2	69.0	67.5	67.4	59.6	60.9	7.2	4.3	4.9	62.5	57.0	57.9	66.4	65.4	65.6	7.6	3.8	4.5	61.3	62.9	62.6
Apr	65.0	71.1	70.1	7.0	3.3	3.9	60.5	68.8	67.3	68.7	59.9	61.3	8.5	4.5	5.2	62.9	57.2	58.1	66.8	65.4	65.6	7.7	3.9	4.5	61.7	62.9	62.7
May	65.3	71.4	70.4	9.3	3.8	4.7	59.3	68.7	67.1	67.0	60.1	61.2	7.3	4.3	4.8	62.1	57.5	58.2	66.1	65.6	65.7	8.3	4.0	4.7	60.7	62.9	62.6
Jun	63.3	71.2	69.8	9.6	3.4	4.4	57.2	68.7	66.8	68.2	59.5	60.9	6.0	4.0	4.3	64.1	57.1	58.2	65.7	65.2	65.3	7.8	3.7	4.3	60.6	62.8	62.4
Jul	64.7	71.5	70.3	10.2	3.8	4.8	58.2	68.8	67.0	67.8	59.8	61.1	7.0	4.3	4.7	63.1	57.2	58.2	66.3	65.5	65.6	8.6	4.0	4.8	60.6	62.9	62.5
Aug	64.0	71.7	70.4	9.1	4.0	4.8	58.2	68.9	67.1	68.0	59.6	60.9	7.1	4.4	4.9	63.1	56.9	57.9	65.9	65.5	65.6	8.1	4.2	4.8	60.6	62.8	62.4
Sep	63.1	72.2	70.6	9.5	4.2	5.0	57.1	69.1	67.1	68.5	59.5	60.9	7.0	4.2	4.7	63.8	57.0	58.1	65.8	65.7	65.7	8.2	4.2	4.8	60.4	62.9	62.5
Oct	64.0	72.1	70.7	9.5	4.0	4.8	58.0	69.2	67.3	68.7	59.8	61.2	7.5	4.0	4.6	63.5	57.4	58.4	66.3	65.8	65.9	8.5	4.0	4.7	60.6	63.2	62.8
Nov	65.7	72.0	70.9	11.4	3.9	5.0	58.2	69.2	67.4	66.8	59.8	60.9	7.4	4.4	4.9	61.9	57.1	57.9	66.2	65.7	65.8	9.4	4.1	5.0	60.0	63.1	62.6
Dec	65.4	72.1	70.9	10.7	3.7	4.8	58.4	69.4	67.5	67.9	60.3	61.5	8.5	5.1	5.7	62.1	57.3	58.0	66.6	66.1	66.2	9.6	4.4	5.2	60.2	63.2	62.7
2007 Jan	68.1	72.3	71.6	8.7	2.8	3.8	62.2	70.3	68.9	66.2	60.4	61.3	8.8	4.2	4.9	60.4	57.9	58.3	67.2	66.2	66.4	8.7	3.5	4.3	61.3	63.9	63.5
Feb	67.3	72.4	71.5	8.0	2.8	3.7	62.0	70.3	68.9	66.1	60.0	61.0	7.6	3.8	4.5	61.1	57.7	58.3	66.7	66.1	66.2	7.8	3.3	4.0	61.5	63.9	63.5
Mar	67.3	72.2	71.4	7.3	3.1	3.7	62.4	70.0	68.7	66.9	60.5	61.5	7.4	3.4	4.1	62.0	58.5	59.0	67.1	66.2	66.4	7.3	3.2	3.9	62.2	64.1	63.8
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Average:																											
Jan-Mar06	65.2	71.4	70.3	8.1	3.7	4.4	59.8	68.7	67.2	66.8	59.7	60.9	7.0	4.6	5.0	62.1	57.0	57.8	65.9	65.4	65.5	7.6	4.1	4.7	60.9	62.7	62.4
Jan-Mar07	67.6	72.3	71.5	8.0	2.9	3.7	62.2	70.2	68.8	66.4	60.3	61.3	7.9	3.8	4.5	61.2	58.0	58.5	67.0	66.2	66.3	7.9	3.3	4.1	61.7	64.0	63.6

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: TATS

Source: Statistics Canada

6 BC Employment by Full-Time/Part-Time Status

	Men				Women				Total			
	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total
1997	893.5	113.9	1,007.4	11.3	580.2	272.8	853.0	32.0	1,473.7	386.7	1,860.5	20.8
1998	870.1	123.9	994.0	12.5	590.2	274.2	864.4	31.7	1,460.3	398.0	1,858.4	21.4
1999	882.5	129.0	1,011.5	12.8	606.1	276.8	882.9	31.4	1,488.6	405.8	1,894.4	21.4
2000	914.1	117.2	1,031.3	11.4	619.2	280.8	900.0	31.2	1,533.3	398.0	1,931.3	20.6
2001	896.7	123.4	1,020.1	12.1	620.9	280.5	901.4	31.1	1,517.6	404.0	1,921.6	21.0
2002	891.8	145.9	1,037.7	14.1	624.6	302.8	927.3	32.7	1,516.4	448.7	1,965.0	22.8
2003	929.7	136.1	1,065.8	12.8	635.2	313.6	948.9	33.0	1,564.9	449.7	2,014.7	22.3
2004	960.1	131.0	1,091.2	12.0	670.7	300.9	971.5	31.0	1,630.8	431.9	2,062.7	20.9
2005	1,000.8	129.7	1,130.5	11.5	693.0	307.0	1,000.0	30.7	1,693.9	436.7	2,130.5	20.5
2006	1,022.3	138.6	1,160.9	11.9	727.8	306.7	1,034.5	29.6	1,750.2	445.3	2,195.5	20.3
						seasonally adjusted						
2006 Jan	1,018.5	127.8	1,146.3	11.1	718.2	304.5	1,022.7	29.8	1,736.7	432.3	2,169.0	19.9
Feb	1,003.6	150.4	1,154.0	13.0	710.0	312.3	1,022.3	30.5	1,713.6	462.7	2,176.3	21.3
Mar	1,014.3	145.8	1,160.1	12.6	713.9	313.1	1,027.0	30.5	1,728.2	458.9	2,187.1	21.0
Apr	1,019.8	139.3	1,159.0	12.0	728.3	303.8	1,032.1	29.4	1,748.0	443.1	2,191.1	20.2
May	1,021.1	135.2	1,156.3	11.7	730.0	305.7	1,035.7	29.5	1,751.1	440.9	2,192.1	20.1
Jun	1,015.7	137.7	1,153.4	11.9	730.2	307.3	1,037.5	29.6	1,745.9	445.0	2,190.9	20.3
Jul	1,022.9	135.1	1,158.0	11.7	724.8	312.8	1,037.6	30.1	1,747.7	447.9	2,195.6	20.4
Aug	1,027.3	134.3	1,161.6	11.6	736.4	298.5	1,034.9	28.8	1,763.7	432.8	2,196.5	19.7
Sep	1,030.5	133.5	1,164.0	11.5	742.1	296.6	1,038.7	28.6	1,772.6	430.1	2,202.7	19.5
Oct	1,034.0	135.5	1,169.5	11.6	732.3	313.4	1,045.7	30.0	1,766.3	449.0	2,215.2	20.3
Nov	1,026.4	145.7	1,172.1	12.4	727.3	311.0	1,038.3	30.0	1,753.7	456.7	2,210.4	20.7
Dec	1,033.9	142.6	1,176.5	12.1	739.3	302.7	1,042.0	29.0	1,773.2	445.3	2,218.5	20.1
2007 Jan	1,047.4	154.8	1,202.2	12.9	746.9	301.1	1,048.0	28.7	1,794.3	455.9	2,250.2	20.3
Feb	1,052.0	151.6	1,203.6	12.6	745.6	303.8	1,049.3	29.0	1,797.5	455.3	2,252.9	20.2
Mar	1,059.1	142.4	1,201.5	11.9	735.3	328.7	1,064.0	30.9	1,794.3	471.1	2,265.4	20.8
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Average:												
Jan-Mar06	1,012.1	141.3	1,153.5	12.2	714.0	310.0	1,024.0	30.3	1,726.2	451.3	2,177.5	20.7
Jan-Mar07	1,052.8	149.6	1,202.4	12.4	742.6	311.2	1,053.8	29.5	1,795.4	460.8	2,256.2	20.4
% Change	4.0	5.8	4.2		4.0	0.4	2.9		4.0	2.1	3.6	

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Source: Statistics Canada

7a BC Employment by Industry

	All Industries		Total Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Other Primary		Utilities		Manufac-turing		Construc-tion	
	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg
1997	1,860.5		417.3		34.0		54.0		9.9		196.2		123.1	
1998	1,858.4	-0.1	408.5	-2.1	33.0	-2.9	51.3	-5.0	11.1	12.1	195.9	-0.2	117.2	-4.8
1999	1,894.4	1.9	393.8	-3.6	28.1	-14.8	48.5	-5.5	11.1	0.0	191.8	-2.1	114.3	-2.5
2000	1,931.3	1.9	406.3	3.2	29.7	5.7	52.7	8.7	10.3	-7.2	202.5	5.6	111.1	-2.8
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	382.3	-5.9	25.5	-14.1	40.7	-22.8	10.5	1.9	194.9	-3.8	110.7	-0.4
2002	1,965.0	2.3	392.2	2.6	29.0	13.7	37.6	-7.6	11	4.8	196.6	0.9	118.1	6.7
2003	2,014.7	2.5	416.4	6.2	32.9	13.4	45.5	21.0	11.3	2.7	206.8	5.2	119.8	1.4
2004	2,062.7	2.4	436.9	4.9	36.9	12.2	35.6	-21.8	9.2	-18.6	211.2	2.1	144.0	20.2
2005	2,130.5	3.3	452.7	3.6	38.7	4.9	37.5	5.3	10.3	12.0	198.2	-6.2	168.0	16.7
2006	2,195.5	3.1	463.9	2.5	34.7	-10.3	43.8	16.8	8.6	-16.5	197.5	-0.4	179.3	6.7
							seasonally adjusted							
2006 Jan	2,169.0		442.9		34.3		41.0		8.6		190.4		168.6	
Feb	2,176.3	0.3	459.6	3.8	36.0	5.0	39.3	-4.1	8.0	-7.0	202.1	6.1	174.3	3.4
Mar	2,187.1	0.5	467.3	1.7	36.2	0.6	39.8	1.3	7.2	-10.0	206.8	2.3	177.3	1.7
Apr	2,191.1	0.2	460.2	-1.5	35.7	-1.4	39.6	-0.5	6.6	-8.3	200.7	-2.9	177.7	0.2
May	2,192.1	0.0	460.3	0.0	35.4	-0.8	40.7	2.8	8.1	22.7	201.1	0.2	175.1	-1.5
Jun	2,190.9	-0.1	452.5	-1.7	32.3	-8.8	41.8	2.7	8.8	8.6	192.9	-4.1	176.7	0.9
Jul	2,195.6	0.2	464.2	2.6	34.2	5.9	41.9	0.2	9.2	4.5	195.1	1.1	183.7	4.0
Aug	2,196.5	0.0	461.0	-0.7	33.7	-1.5	45.1	7.6	9.0	-2.2	189.9	-2.7	183.2	-0.3
Sep	2,202.7	0.3	465.4	1.0	34.0	0.9	47.3	4.9	8.9	-1.1	192.1	1.2	183.0	-0.1
Oct	2,215.2	0.6	468.8	0.7	33.8	-0.6	47.0	-0.6	10.0	12.4	196.4	2.2	181.6	-0.8
Nov	2,210.4	-0.2	479.2	2.2	35.6	5.3	52.5	11.7	9.8	-2.0	198.6	1.1	182.7	0.6
Dec	2,218.5	0.4	483.3	0.9	36.0	1.1	48.2	-8.2	9.3	-5.1	203.2	2.3	186.5	2.1
2007 Jan	2,250.2	1.4	493.6	2.1	35.5	-1.4	52.5	8.9	7.9	-15.1	204.8	0.8	192.8	3.4
Feb	2,252.9	0.1	484.2	-1.9	35.7	0.6	48.3	-8.0	9.3	17.7	204.5	-0.1	186.5	-3.3
Mar	2,265.4	0.6	493.2	1.9	33.5	-6.2	45.2	-6.4	8.2	-11.8	215.3	5.3	190.9	2.4
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Dec														
Average:														
Jan-Mar06	2,177.5		456.6		35.5		40.0		7.9		199.8		173.4	
Jan-Mar07	2,256.2		490.3		34.9		48.7		8.5		208.2		190.1	
% Change	3.6		7.4		-1.7		21.6		6.7		4.2		9.6	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

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Source: Statistics [illegible]da

7b BC Employment by Industry

	Total Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Community and Personal Service								Public Administration	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health & Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Other Service	
	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg
1997	1,443.2		108.0		297.7		127.7		112.1		120.3		191.3		142.2		243.2		100.7	
1998	1,449.9	0.5	105.6	-2.2	289.7	-2.7	122.3	-4.2	122.8	9.5	118.3	-1.7	197.4	3.2	146.8	3.2	253.2	4.1	93.8	-6.9
1999	1,500.5	3.5	115.9	9.8	304.8	5.2	121.0	-1.1	135.8	10.6	127.3	7.6	193.3	-2.1	149.1	1.6	260.8	3.0	92.5	-1.4
2000	1,525.0	1.6	116.9	0.9	300.8	-1.3	118.3	-2.2	135.8	0.0	136.6	7.3	201.2	4.1	154.5	3.6	268.4	2.9	92.4	-0.1
2001	1,539.3	0.9	112.4	-3.8	303.3	0.8	120.9	2.2	139.2	2.5	138.3	1.2	196.8	-2.2	163.7	6.0	275.1	2.5	89.5	-3.1
2002	1,572.8	2.2	112.9	0.4	324.9	7.1	123.3	2.0	136.1	-2.2	139.3	0.7	211.6	7.5	162.5	-0.7	274.1	-0.4	88.1	-1.6
2003	1,598.3	1.6	119.6	5.9	327.8	0.9	124.5	1.0	139.3	2.4	140.1	0.6	213.3	0.8	159.4	-1.9	281.2	2.6	93.0	5.6
2004	1,625.8	1.7	116.5	-2.6	315.8	-3.7	129.2	3.8	146.3	5.0	135.9	-3.0	219.2	2.8	175.3	10.0	290.4	3.3	97.2	4.5
2005	1,677.8	3.2	118.7	1.9	334.6	6.0	132.9	2.9	163.6	11.8	146.1	7.5	217.4	-0.8	175.8	0.3	293.6	1.1	95.1	-2.2
2006	1,731.6	3.2	119.5	0.7	353.7	5.7	138.0	3.8	167.6	2.4	156.0	6.8	232.2	6.8	170.5	-3.0	302.8	3.1	91.3	-4.0
									seasonally adjusted									
2006 Jan	1,726.1		124.6		355.5		128.0		166.5		152.1		210.6		179.0		312.9		97.1	
Feb	1,716.6	-0.6	128.1	2.8	363.1	2.1	129.4	1.1	171.6	3.1	151.3	-0.5	213.2	1.2	173.9	-2.8	292.7	-6.5	93.3	-3.9
Mar	1,719.8	0.2	124.9	-2.5	358.8	-1.2	132.7	2.6	166.1	-3.2	153.5	1.5	224.3	5.2	162.4	-6.6	303.7	3.8	93.5	0.2
Apr	1,730.9	0.6	123.2	-1.4	364.8	1.7	129.5	-2.4	171.4	3.2	153.0	-0.3	224.1	-0.1	167.0	2.8	304.0	0.1	94.0	0.5
May	1,731.8	0.1	121.4	-1.5	362.4	-0.7	132.3	2.2	168	-2.0	152.1	-0.6	237.3	5.9	167.8	0.5	298.9	-1.7	91.5	-2.7
Jun	1,738.4	0.4	121.3	-0.1	368.0	1.5	136.4	3.1	161.3	-4.0	154.8	1.8	243.7	2.7	167.6	-0.1	298.3	-0.2	87.1	-4.8
Jul	1,731.4	-0.4	114.5	-5.6	345.0	-6.3	141.7	3.9	162.3	0.6	160.5	3.7	245.4	0.7	166.3	-0.8	301.5	1.1	94.2	8.2
Aug	1,735.5	0.2	115.2	0.6	347.3	0.7	145.1	2.4	174	7.2	156.0	-2.8	242.1	-1.3	169.5	1.9	303.8	0.8	82.7	-12.2
Sep	1,737.3	0.1	115.3	0.1	349.1	0.5	141.1	-2.8	170.3	-2.1	157.6	1.0	238.1	-1.7	171.9	1.4	307.2	1.1	86.7	4.8
Oct	1,746.4	0.5	114.0	-1.1	344.7	-1.3	143.4	1.6	170.5	0.1	160.0	1.5	238.9	0.3	176.3	2.6	308.3	0.4	90.5	4.4
Nov	1,731.2	-0.9	114.8	0.7	345.3	0.2	148.8	3.8	164.6	-3.5	159.7	-0.2	229.1	-4.1	172.9	-1.9	301.0	-2.4	94.9	4.9
Dec	1,735.3	0.2	117.2	2.1	340.4	-1.4	147.7	-0.7	164.5	-0.1	162.3	1.6	239.2	4.4	170.8	-1.2	303.1	0.7	90.0	-5.2
2007 Jan	1,756.6	1.2	121.2	3.4	352.1	3.4	137.6	-6.8	166.8	1.4	156.1	-3.8	233.9	-2.2	179.8	5.3	313.2	3.3	96.0	6.7
Feb	1,768.7	0.7	131.3	8.3	359.1	2.0	139.9	1.7	168.9	1.3	159.9	2.4	243.2	4.0	173.1	-3.7	301.9	-3.6	91.4	-4.8
Mar	1,772.2	0.2	125.6	-4.3	355.0	-1.1	149.2	6.6	161.1	-4.6	162.9	1.9	248.5	2.2	173.5	0.2	304.2	0.8	92.2	0.9
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Average:																				
Jan-Mar06	1,720.8		125.9		359.1		130.0		168.1		152.3		216.0		171.8		303.1		94.6	
Jan-Mar07	1,765.8		126.0		355.4		142.2		165.6		159.6		241.9		175.5		306.4		93.2	
% Change	2.6		0.1		-1.0		9.4		-1.5		4.8		12.0		2.2		1.1		-1.5	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month

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Source: Statistics Canada

8 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Occupation, Actual

	Management		Business Finance & Admin.		Natural & Applied Sciences		Health		Social Sci. Education Govt Service & Religion		Art Culture Recreation & Sport		Sales & Service		Trades Transport & Equipment Operators		Occupations Unique to Primary		Occupations Unique to Processing, Mfg & Utilities		All Occupations	
	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %
1997	180.0	2.9	339.9	3.7	103.1	3.3	97.9	1.8	141.8	3.4	56.3	6.5	477.7	5.8	311.6	7.1	68.9	15.5	83.3	8.3	1,860.5	8.4
1998	192.8	2.6	340.5	3.2	108.3	4.4	100.0	1.5	138.6	4.1	57.6	5.4	478.9	6.5	288.8	9.3	68.8	16.1	84.1	8.5	1,858.4	8.8
1999	195.6	2.4	344.7	3.4	124.1	3.4	97.7	1.7	143.1	2.7	66.6	4.0	485.5	6.8	287.6	8.1	64.1	14.6	85.3	6.8	1,894.4	8.3
2000	200.3	1.8	336.0	3.2	124.0	2.4	104.5	0.6	151.3	3.1	61.5	4.8	501.0	5.5	286.3	7.6	70.4	13.5	95.9	6.1	1,931.3	7.1
2001	171.6	2.6	340.2	4.1	118.5	4.7	102.3	1.8	149.0	3.2	59.8	5.7	537.4	5.5	285.9	7.7	61.4	13.5	95.6	8.8	1,921.6	7.7
2002	173.7	2.8	333.5	4.2	118.0	5.1	113.7	2.0	161.7	2.9	64.8	6.5	557.6	6.0	284.9	7.9	60.9	14.9	96.3	8.9	1,965.0	8.5
2003	182.1	1.9	351.5	4.1	126.6	6.1	117.2	1.8	162.5	3.2	67.0	6.6	540.4	6.2	297.3	7.1	72.9	12.5	97.3	6.8	2,014.7	8.0
2004	192.9	2.6	353.1	3.8	120.6	5.0	119.1	1.6	155.6	3.9	73.3	5.2	556.2	5.9	319.5	5.9	69.6	10.9	102.8	7.0	2,062.7	7.2
2005	193.0	2.3	383.0	2.9	136.1	3.0	118.6	1.2	172.4	2.5	71.3	4.8	558.0	4.7	330.8	4.5	71.3	9.5	96.1	6.1	2,130.5	5.9
2006	207.9	1.8	371.0	2.5	152.3	2.3	131.8	1.4	175.0	2.8	74.8	3.6	563.2	3.8	349.6	4.0	73.7	8.4	96.1	4.0	2,195.5	4.8
2006 Jan	205.8	2.0	374.7	2.8	150.6	2.5	112.6	2.0	175.6	1.1	77.9	4.9	563.0	4.3	322.9	6.0	56.5	14.1	82.8	7.9	2,122.5	5.8
Feb	214.0	1.7	375.9	2.3	152.6	2.4	116.6	1.5	175.2	2.3	79.2	2.3	543.7	4.2	331.7	5.0	62.8	10.9	90.1	6.7	2,141.7	5.2
Mar	211.7	1.6	369.1	2.7	146.5	2.6	110.2	1.3	183.3	2.7	82.4	3.3	549.3	3.4	347.7	3.7	68.9	7.6	95.9	2.9	2,164.9	4.5
Apr	204.6	0.9	372.3	2.7	157.0	1.1	113.8	1.7	172.9	1.9	75.7	2.4	560.2	3.5	346.1	4.0	74.1	7.6	92.3	3.0	2,169.1	4.6
May	203.8	1.3	375.9	2.9	155.2	2.9	127.0	1.4	180.2	2.2	79.2	2.2	560.2	3.4	345.2	4.6	77.5	9.6	98.6	2.2	2,202.6	4.9
Jun	202.7	0.4	373.4	2.2	152.7	3.0	134.7	2.2	178.6	2.1	77.4	0.6	576.1	2.6	359.6	3.3	79.1	8.3	91.9	3.4	2,226.3	3.9
Jul	204.9	1.3	376.1	2.9	146.3	3.0	140.4	1.1	161.4	4.0	72.6	2.6	567.0	3.8	376.2	4.3	82.5	7.5	100.8	4.1	2,228.2	5.1
Aug	209.3	2.1	368.9	3.0	148.7	2.3	149.0	0.9	157.6	9.9	68.8	5.5	561.1	4.6	372.9	3.2	86.4	4.4	99.6	3.3	2,222.3	5.4
Sep	205.6	3.0	362.4	2.2	155.6	2.0	146.1	1.7	175.9	2.7	73.6	3.3	556.3	4.3	358.9	3.0	74.0	5.0	102.7	3.3	2,211.0	4.4
Oct	209.3	2.3	370.1	1.6	157.1	1.6	145.8	0.9	178.7	2.4	72.2	5.0	579.9	3.7	336.9	3.2	75.4	6.5	102.7	4.7	2,228.1	4.2
Nov	209.9	2.2	363.4	2.5	152.7	2.2	143.1	1.3	179.1	1.4	67.6	4.2	574.2	4.1	346.3	4.2	74.0	9.5	98.8	3.5	2,209.1	4.6
Dec	212.7	2.9	369.6	2.5	153.0	2.1	142.2	0.8	181.4	1.7	71.3	6.6	567.5	3.8	350.8	3.2	73.5	12.0	97.7	3.3	2,219.6	4.6
2007 Jan	213.9	1.4	366.8	2.3	156.4	3.2	132.8	1.8	182.2	2.0	72.0	3.4	561.1	4.8	362.2	2.8	72.3	11.5	93.7	5.8	2,213.4	4.8
Feb	218.5	1.4	371.9	2.4	151.9	1.8	137.4	0.5	184.8	1.6	77.2	1.9	571.2	3.6	346.8	3.5	69.4	13.4	92.1	6.5	2,221.2	4.4
Mar	209.4	0.8	388.7	1.5	142.7	2.5	133.0	0.4	197.5	0.8	66.1	0.0	586.6	3.3	356.0	3.9	65.7	10.1	100.2	5.2	2,245.8	3.9
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Average:																						
Jan-Mar06	210.5	1.8	373.2	2.6	149.9	2.5	113.1	1.6	178.0	2.0	79.8	3.5	552.0	4.0	334.1	4.9	62.7	10.9	89.6	5.9	2,143.0	5.2
Jan-Mar07	213.9	1.2	375.8	2.1	150.3	2.5	134.4	0.9	188.2	1.5	71.8	1.8	573.0	3.9	355.0	3.4	69.1	11.7	95.3	5.8	2,226.8	4.4
% Change	1.6		0.7		0.3		18.8		5.7		-10.1		3.8		6.3		10.2		6.4		3.9	

NOTES: 1. Occupation specific Unemployment Rates include only those unemployed who worked in the past year. The "All Occupations" rate incorporates total unemployed persons which includes an "Occupation Unclassified" category.

2. Due to the relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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9 B… Employment and Unemployment Rate by Region and Metropolitan Area

	British Columbia		Vancouver		Victoria		Abbotsford		Development Regions: Vancouver Island/ Coast		Mainland/ Southwest		Thompson-Okanagan		Kootenay		Cariboo		North Coast & Nechako		Northeast	
	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %
1997	1,860.5	8.4	966.4	8.2	149.8	7.6	68.2	8.0	322.0	8.7	1098.9	8.2	206.1	8.3	65.3	9.3	83.3	9.8	51.8	9.0	33.1	4.6
1998	1,858.4	8.8	970.8	8.0	147.2	8.7	66.9	10.1	315.5	9.7	1103.9	8.1	207.4	8.2	70.0	12.0	82.7	14.5	47.3	9.7	31.6	NA
1999	1,894.4	8.3	996.0	7.7	155.3	6.6	66.9	7.6	330.0	7.9	1130.1	7.7	206.1	9.6	69.4	9.3	81.4	11.6	46.7	8.8	30.7	8.9
2000	1,931.3	7.1	1,032.1	5.8	155.3	6.7	68.3	7.5	327.4	7.8	1164.6	6.1	210.3	9.3	70.8	10.0	79.1	9.9	47.3	10.2	31.8	5.9
2001	1,921.6	7.7	1,039.1	5.6	150.8	6.3	71.4	6.7	307.3	9.2	1175.0	6.7	210.2	9.3	70.4	9.7	79.4	9.7	46.6	11.2	32.5	6.1
2002	1,965.0	8.5	1,072.1	7.7	155.7	7.0	75.2	7.5	317.4	8.7	1216.7	7.7	208.1	9.4	66.6	10.0	78.0	12.7	44.9	12.6	33.2	9.0
2003	2,014.7	8.0	1,103.5	7.3	158.7	6.2	74.9	7.5	319.1	8.6	1,251.4	7.3	218.8	8.8	67.4	11.5	78.2	11.1	44.8	11.3	34.9	6.4
2004	2,062.7	7.2	1,127.5	6.7	162.0	5.3	78.5	6.4	334.2	7.9	1,275.3	6.7	229.7	6.6	67.1	9.2	80.7	9.1	42.4	11.6	33.3	5.4
2005	2,130.5	5.9	1,155.7	5.7	169.3	4.5	78.3	5.5	350.0	6.3	1,307.3	5.7	244.0	5.3	69.2	6.1	80.1	7.4	45.7	8.1	34.3	4.7
2006	2,195.5	4.8	1,187.1	4.4	175.2	3.7	82.3	4.5	369.5	4.9	1,342.7	4.4	253.7	5.1	69.5	6.2	82.9	6.1	43.1	6.7	34.0	NA
									3- month moving average, actual, ending in:													
2006 Jan	2,153.1	4.9	1,163.0	4.5	167.0	4.0	81.1	5.5	356.0	5.4	1,318.7	4.6	250.3	4.1	66.8	6.4	84.7	5.8	42.4	9.4	34.2	NA
Feb	2,144.3	5.1	1,152.3	4.8	168.0	3.8	81.2	5.0	360.9	5.3	1,307.2	4.8	249.7	5.0	65.9	7.2	84.1	5.8	41.8	9.7	34.7	NA
Mar	2,143.1	5.2	1,149.3	4.8	170.5	3.8	81.4	4.9	364.1	5.3	1,304.2	4.9	249.1	5.5	66.3	6.5	83.5	6.1	41.7	9.1	34.1	NA
Apr	2,158.6	4.8	1,163.7	4.3	173.7	3.5	80.5	4.6	366.9	4.9	1,318.2	4.3	248.6	6.0	66.7	5.7	82.9	5.9	42.1	7.7	33.2	NA
May	2,178.9	4.7	1,178.8	4.2	174.6	4.1	79.7	5.7	368.2	5.1	1,333.3	4.2	252.0	5.3	66.8	4.7	82.3	6.9	43.5	6.4	32.7	NA
Jun	2,199.3	4.5	1,191.4	4.1	176.3	3.6	80.0	5.1	370.4	4.5	1,346.0	4.1	252.4	5.0	70.1	5.7	83.0	6.6	44.8	5.1	32.7	4.4
Jul	2,219.0	4.6	1,204.3	4.4	177.7	3.6	81.3	4.8	372.6	4.4	1,358.8	4.4	255.0	5.0	71.1	6.1	83.6	6.8	45.1	4.7	32.9	NA
Aug	2,225.6	4.8	1,210.7	4.5	178.5	3.5	82.7	3.9	372.9	4.6	1,364.9	4.5	254.4	6.0	72.0	6.1	83.7	6.2	44.2	5.6	33.5	NA
Sep	2,220.5	5.0	1,208.3	4.7	176.2	4.1	83.5	4.1	371.8	4.9	1,362.4	4.7	255.8	5.7	70.2	5.1	82.7	6.3	43.4	6.5	34.1	4.2
Oct	2,220.5	4.7	1,206.9	4.3	174.5	4.4	83.7	4.0	370.2	5.2	1,362.1	4.3	258.5	4.7	70.3	5.5	82.4	5.3	42.4	7.2	34.6	5.2
Nov	2,216.1	4.4	1,199.7	4.0	175.9	3.9	84.3	3.7	371.1	4.7	1,356.9	4.1	258.0	4.1	70.3	6.6	82.2	5.5	42.7	6.2	35.0	4.9
Dec	2,218.9	4.4	1,199.5	4.0	178.0	3.4	84.5	4.1	371.8	4.9	1,358.3	4.1	257.4	4.2	71.5	7.3	82.3	5.5	42.5	6.2	35.1	NA
2007 Jan	2,214.1	4.6	1,194.3	4.3	177.2	3.1	84.5	4.3	372.3	4.8	1,354.5	4.3	252.7	5.0	73.9	7.2	82.4	5.8	42.6	6.0	35.6	NA
Feb	2,218.1	4.6	1,202.5	4.1	175.1	2.9	83.5	4.7	369.6	5.3	1,363.1	4.2	251.7	5.0	74.1	6.8	81.8	5.3	41.7	7.1	36.0	NA
Mar	2,226.8	4.4	1,211.0	3.7	174.4	3.1	82.8	4.8	367.7	5.4	1,372.6	3.8	252.9	5.0	75.9	5.9	80.9	5.2	41.1	8.3	35.8	NA
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Dec																						
Average:									year-to-date averages are based on monthy actual data													
Jan-Mar06	2,143.0	5.2	1,149.3	4.8	170.5	3.8	81.4	4.9	364.1	5.2	1,304.2	4.9	249.1	5.6	66.3	6.4	83.5	6.1	41.7	9.2	34.1	NA
Jan-Mar07	2,226.8	4.4	1,211.0	3.7	174.4	3.1	82.8	4.8	367.7	5.4	1,372.6	3.8	252.9	5.0	75.9	5.9	80.9	5.1	41.0	8.2	35.8	NA
% Change	3.9		5.4		2.3		1.7		1.0		5.2		1.5		14.5		-3.2		-1.7		5.0	

NOTE: Geographic boundaries changed on January 1, 2005.

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10 BC Employment by Class of Worker

	Total Employment		Employees						Self-Employed	
			Total		Public		Private			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1997	1,860.5		1,500.4		336.2		1,164.2		360.1	
1998	1,858.4	-0.1	1,474.6	-1.7	333.7	-0.7	1,140.8	-2.0	383.8	6.6
1999	1,894.4	1.9	1,512.9	2.6	345.9	3.7	1,167.1	2.3	381.4	-0.6
2000	1,931.3	1.9	1,574.7	4.1	358.9	3.8	1,215.9	4.2	356.6	-6.5
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	1,570.1	-0.3	350.8	-2.3	1,219.3	0.3	351.4	-1.5
2002	1,965.0	2.3	1,601.7	2.0	353.6	0.8	1,248.1	2.4	363.3	3.4
2003	2,014.7	2.5	1,638.4	2.3	360.5	2.0	1,277.9	2.4	376.3	3.6
2004	2,062.7	2.4	1,671.3	2.0	366.6	1.7	1,304.7	2.1	391.4	4.0
2005	2,130.5	3.3	1,714.8	2.6	369.8	0.9	1,345.0	3.1	415.8	6.2
2006	2,195.5	3.1	1,781.8	3.9	391.2	5.8	1,390.6	3.4	413.7	-0.5
					seasonally adjusted					
2006 Jan	2,169.0		1,758.4		382.3		1,376.1		410.7	
Feb	2,176.3	0.3	1,767.4	0.5	375.3	-1.8	1,392.1	1.2	408.9	-0.4
Mar	2,187.1	0.5	1,770.6	0.2	382.7	2.0	1,388.0	-0.3	416.5	1.9
Apr	2,191.1	0.2	1,786.2	0.9	385.1	0.6	1,401.1	0.9	405.0	-2.8
May	2,192.1	0.0	1,792.8	0.4	388.7	0.9	1,404.1	0.2	399.2	-1.4
Jun	2,190.9	-0.1	1,801.2	0.5	392.1	0.9	1,409.0	0.3	389.7	-2.4
Jul	2,195.6	0.2	1,792.8	-0.5	397.2	1.3	1,395.5	-1.0	402.8	3.4
Aug	2,196.5	0.0	1,771.7	-1.2	391.2	-1.5	1,380.6	-1.1	424.7	5.4
Sep	2,202.7	0.3	1,776.3	0.3	399.4	2.1	1,376.9	-0.3	426.3	0.4
Oct	2,215.2	0.6	1,787.4	0.6	398.8	-0.2	1,388.6	0.8	427.9	0.4
Nov	2,210.4	-0.2	1,789.5	0.1	400.7	0.5	1,388.8	0.0	420.9	-1.6
Dec	2,218.5	0.4	1,786.8	-0.2	401.2	0.1	1,385.7	-0.2	431.7	2.6
2007 Jan	2,250.2	1.4	1,822.3	2.0	402.5	0.3	1,419.8	2.5	427.9	-0.9
Feb	2,252.9	0.1	1,829.1	0.4	404.7	0.5	1,424.4	0.3	423.8	-1.0
Mar	2,265.4	0.6	1,838.0	0.5	409.2	1.1	1,428.8	0.3	427.4	0.8
Apr										
May										
Jun										
Jul										
Aug										
Sep										
Oct										
Nov										
Dec										
Average:										
Jan-Mar06	2,177.5		1,765.5		380.1		1,385.4		412.0	
Jan-Mar07	2,256.2		1,829.8		405.5		1,424.3		426.4	
% Change	3.6		3.6		6.7		2.8		3.5	

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Labour Force Statistics

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Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Reference Week

Monthly estimates of employment, unemployment, and persons not in the labour force refer to the specific week covered by the survey each month, normally the week containing the 15th day.

Labour Force

The labour force is composed of those members of the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were employed or unemployed.

Employed

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) did any work at all, or (b) had a job but were not at work due to own illness or disability, personal or family responsibilities, bad weather, labour dispute, vacation, or other reason not specified above (excluding persons whose job attachment was to a job to start at a definite date in the future).

Unemployment

Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) were without work, had actively looked for work in the past four weeks (ending with the reference week), and were available for work; or (b) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had been on layoff and were available for work; or (c) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a new job to start in four weeks or less from the reference week, and were available for work.

Unemployment Rate

The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a per-centage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the number of unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

Participation Rate

The participation rate represents the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The participation rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the labour force for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Employment Rate

The employment rate(employment/population ratio) is the number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The employment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the employment for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Rounding

Estimates published by the Labour Force Survey are rounded to the nearest thousand but all derived values (totals, averages, rates, ratios, percent changes, etc.) are calculated from unrounded figures. Therefore, the sum of the individual rounded items may not equal the total. Unadjusted estimates rounded to hundreds are available from BC STATS on request.

Seasonal Adjustment

Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods, and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. It should be noted that the seasonally adjusted series contain irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

Source: Extracted from Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey, Definitions and Explanations